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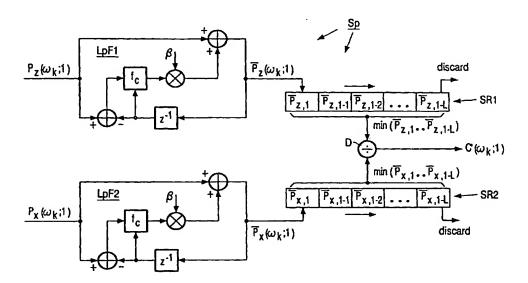
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(54) Title: STATIONARY SPECTRAL POWER DEPENDENT AUDIO ENHANCEMENT SYSTEM



(57) Abstract: An audio enhancement system (1) for speech recognition or voice control is described, comprising a signal input for carrying a distorted desired signal (z), a reference signal input, and a spectral processor (SP) coupled to both signal inputs for processing the distorted desired signal (z) by means of a reference signal (x) acting as an estimate for the distortion of the desired signal. The spectral processor (SP) is equipped for said processing such that a factor C' is determined, whereby said estimate is a function of the factor C' times the spectral power of the reference signal (x), and the factor C is determined as the spectral ratio between those components of the signals z and x, which are essentially stationary with time. Such a factor determined by stationary parts of those signals makes application of a critical speech detector in the audio enhancement system superfluous.